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Honorable Richard Helms Director CIA Room 7D60 Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Helms:

We hope you will attend our Forum on national security priorities at The Plaza in New York City on December 6th. Dr. Henry Kissinger, General Alfred Gruenther and Admiral Arleigh Burke are among the participants.

Although some quarters assume a detente, many experts feel that (a) Soviet military-technological capabilities are increasing and (b) there is little solid evidence that Moscow's intentions or strategies have changed. Moreover, given Red China's guerrilla warfare doctrine and nuclear know-how, we can scarcely relax our posture of readiness.

As our conference room will only accommodate 300, we must limit our invitations and would appreciate -- as early as possible -- your response. Full details about the program and registration are in the enclosed brochure.

With best regards, I am

Frank R. Barnett

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R.S.V.P. (by phone) -- Mr. Omer Pace, (212) 861-8260 -- or by enclosed registration form.

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Er. Frank R. Barnett, President National Strategy Information Center, Inc. 130 East 67th Street New York, New York 10021

Dear Mr. Barnett:

I keenly appreciate your thoughtful invitation to attend your Forum on December 6 in New York. Unfortunately, commitments that week will keep me in Washington. I am sorry not to be with you.

Cordially,

Richard Helms

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The National Strategy Information Center (NSIC), organized in 1962, assists professional societies, associations and the general public to study the relation of military power, geopolitics and communications theory to national goals. It has organized forums on comparative ideology, economic warfare, and propaganda analysis for such groups as the Young Presidents Organization, the Steel Service Center Institute and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. For four years, it has worked with a Standing Committee of the American Bar Association to support some 20 university summer institutes for high school teachers on "Democracy vs. Communism."

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In 1964, the Center distributed to high school debate teams in 30 states 7,000 gift copies of an analysis of the semantics and security implications of "peaceful coexistence" as used in Communist journals and Party memoranda. The 126-page abstract and commentary was prepared for the American Bar Association by scholars at The Center for Strategic Studies at Georgetown University. In 1965, NSIC distributed 5,000 copies of a panel discussion on "Detente and the National Security" conducted before the joint student body of The Industrial College of the Armed Forces and The National War College, and published in THE GENERAL ELECTRIC FORUM. Other contributors to this issue of the journal included foreign correspondent Roscoe Drummond, Under Secretary of State George W. Ball and General Earle G. Wheeler, Chairman, U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Since 1962 the New York Committee, National Strategy Seminars has called upon NSIC to suggest topics and provide speakers for its annual series of 12 lectures. These seminars, held each year since 1958 at Town Hall in New York City, are organized by New York alumni of field courses conducted by The Industrial College of the Armed Forces, under the chairmanship of Frank A. Vanderlip, Jr. Because of the high quality and intrinsic educational value of this program, the Department of Defense has officially sponsored and certified it for reserve point credit for all convises.

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